

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, August 19, 2008, at 8:45 a.m. in Room 400 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sorensen, Members Owens, Bostic, Gordon, Renner, Nuckolls, Selzer and Segobiano

Members Absent: Member Hoselton

Other Members Present: None

Staff Present: Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator; Mr. Terry Lindberg, Assistant County Administrator; Mr. Bill Wasson, Director, Administrative Services; Ms. Jude LaCasse, Recording Secretary

Department Heads/
Elected Officials Present: None

Chairman Sorensen called the meeting to order at 8:46 a.m.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Bloomington, the County of McLean and the Town of Normal regulating the use by the County of McLean and the Town of Normal of the Police Shooting Range Facility of the City of Bloomington for the Sheriff's Department.

Mr. Renner, Chairman, Justice Committee, clarified that the item was brought to a Stand-up meeting to amend the proposed Agreement to add the following language (Paragraph VI – Maintenance): "...during the term of this Agreement, the City of Bloomington shall remove the gravel on the pistol shooting side and fill it in with concrete, pour a concrete pad for a future 'entry house', and increase the size of the rifle range, if feasible."

Motion by Renner/Nuckolls to Recommend Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Bloomington, the County of McLean and the Town of Normal regulating the use by the County of McLean and the Town of Normal of the Police Shooting Range Facility of the City of Bloomington – Sheriff's Department.
Motion carried.

Mr. Segobiano asked where is Bloomington in terms of the radio communication situation. He asked if Bloomington intends to continue with their current system. Mr. Selzer suggested that these questions be asked at the full County Board meeting.

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Mr. Renner stated that the radios used by Bloomington have "patch systems" that assist with communications between the analog and digital systems. He noted that these patches are not very effective. Mr. Renner indicated that Bloomington will need to look at StarCom 21 or another digital system because, in order to get federal grants, Bloomington must be digital by 2013.

Mr. Selzer suggested that the County make a formal offer to Bloomington to return to MetCom. Mr. Lindberg replied that there is no financial incentive for Bloomington to join MetCom. Chairman Sorensen advised that it is long past time where that option would have been feasible.

Chairman Sorensen asked if there was any other business or communication for the Executive Committee. Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary

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